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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

In compliance with 37 CFR § 1.56, Assignee's attorney points out pending interference no. 105,246, declared March 14, 2006. This interference is between a parent, U.S. Pat. No. 6,391,038, of this patent application, and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/243,543.

That interference may or may not be "material" pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, and the identification of that interference shall not be construed as an admission that it is material or considered to be material (37 CFR § 1.97(h)). Further, the identification of that interference shall not be construed as an admission that any claims involved therein are patentably indistinct from any claims in the present application, or that the subject matter of the interference is in any way related to or similar to the subject matter of the present application.

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